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(C) Emboff, drawing on reftel points, spoke on November 1 to Brian Muldoon, the DFA's Deputy Director for the America's Section. Muldoon stated that the GOI favors preserving the 2003 Common Position, but noted that Ireland does not have an embassy in Cuba. He said the EU maintains a close watch on Cuba to evaluate the benefits of its policy, but also added that possible changes in the EU Common Position on Cuba, which have been reported in the media, should not be seen as reliable.

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